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1. "Fiscalized production averages: [week ending 3 Aug 537

Greater Oficina BFD

Total Meneg Operated BFD

Month of July 1953 Week ending 26 July 1953 Week ending 2 August 1953 240,426 240,014 241,903 273,782 273,736 273,054

2. "July production statistics indicate that production was down about 9,000 bpd from June. Field backup late in July and the early July shut-in account for the majority of this.

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3. "Fiscalized production averages: /week ending 10 Aug 537

Greater Oficina BPD

Total Meneg Operated BFD

First 9 days August 1953 Week ending 2 Aug 1953 Week ending 9 Aug 1953 253,458 241,903 253,957 288,386 273,054 280,788

4. "Average daily production for this week fending 9 Aug 537 totaled 49,286 bpd of which 44,369 bpd is Meneg Group production.

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5. "The total production for the period ending 16 Aug 537 averaged 49,203 bpd for this period, and of this total the Meneg Group averaged 44,880 bpd."

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